1. Brief memoranda [illegible]
2. 3 dozs. Opera Summer Waves
3. Asks if J. D. Sargent's [illegible]
[Call this afternoon to ascertain if Wyer's Illustrations of Pilgrim's Progress are ready. July 18.]
4. Message
Rec'd July 19/56
Ans. Aug. 5. "
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London 24 June 1856.

Dear friend Ray -

It was well & wisely ordered that the Meeting at Ware Chester failed - On the Saturday evening before it would have been held, (that is a week ago last Saturday) my wife was taken ill & violently seized with illness & for several days could not be removed from her bed. She was quite overworked with her own affairs, & getting her Visit - Miss Blanchard

away to her home on the
Mississippi, & about nine
in the evening I she fainted
& fell, & it was a good
while before we could re-
cover her to consciousness.
She just recovered
sufficiently for me to go to
Abington — And by the way.
our Lad as successful meet-
ing, as could have been expected.
The day was almost a con-
tinuing fire; but we kept
pretty cool, & the meeting
pledged us over 300 dollars.

You have said nothing about Meetings beyond next Sunday, decisively- New Bedford & Lowell have spoken to me but I have referred them to you - only I told our friends I would use my influence to get to them as soon as our arrangements would admit of it. But I also assured them it would not be possible for me to hold an all day Meeting alone. And my experience at Abington fully warrants me in this conclusion.

I enclose my bill and
also the list of Monies re
ceived – But the list of names
should not be published – Most
of the Money was given me
very Individely – and often it is not
(or not more)
as much ~~as~~ as the value of
Pictures, Books & Clothing given
me, & which could not be re
ported. So that all we can
do perhaps, is, to deduct the Seven-
ty Eight dollars in a whole sum.
I received some other small sums,
directly for the Bazaar, but always
paid them in to the nearest com-
mittee, excepting two guineas, which
I paid to Mrs. Chapman.

You will probably hear of me at
Hubbards town, if all are well –

Most truly
Yours
Catherine Pillsbury.

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P. S.

It was hardly possible for me to keep any account of Expenses - Sometimes they were paid by others, sometimes by myself - When others paid, of course I did not know what was their amount. There was a considerable postage bill too, but that was shirked at Jos. Now, with my own private Correspondence so far as this county is considered. On the other side of the water, the amount was much greater - but that too was both personal and for the Cause.

On the whole, the best I can do, is to take no note of Expenses, only as in the bill, & that is but a part of them. And besides, I fear the proposal to pay me the Salary at all, is too generous for the little service I was able to render. Every thing I have done, or would have done, only made my own the more pleasant & useful, considered personally to myself, without regard to the Cause itself.

You will not need take any action on the matter, this will not work.

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